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**Family Open House Celebrates Earth Day and
Promotes *RECYCLE MORE* Challenge**

Waukesha (WI) – April 4, 2007 - The public is invited to an Open House at the County Materials Recycling Facility (MRF), 220 S. Prairie Avenue on Saturday, April 21 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. to celebrate Earth Day.

Visitors to the MRF will get a behind-the-scenes look at how 100 tons of recyclables per day are sorted and baled for shipping to markets. They will also see some of the new products made from recycled materials and hear how recycling provides jobs, saves taxes, energy, and natural resources while contributing over \$5 billion to the state economy. Kids can meet "Recycle Raccoon" and refreshments will be available for all.

To promote the *RECYCLE MORE* Challenge, county recycling staff will give out free recycling bins, while supplies last, to residents who have a lost or broken bin or who need an additional one to hold their family's recyclables. People can also enter a drawing for a backyard compost bin and for a decorative cloth shopping bag.

For more information on how recycling benefits your community and what to recycle, visit www.waukeshacounty.gov/recycling and click on ***RECYCLE MORE* Challenge**.

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